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BRIDGE ACROSS THE WABASH RIVER, ILL. AND IND.

FEBRUARY 26, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. DENISON, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 4307]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4307) to authorize the States of Indiana and Illinois in the States of Indiana and Illinois to construct a bridge across the Wabash River at the city of Mount Carmel, Wabash County, Ill., and connecting Gibson County, Ind., having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it pass.

The bill has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

[Second indorsement]

WAR DEPARTMENT, *February 18, 1925.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill, S. 4307, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, "to authorize the States of Indiana and Illinois in the States of Indiana and Illinois to construct a bridge across the Wabash River at the city of Mount Carmel, Wabash County, Ill., and connecting Gibson County, Ind.," if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the Wabash River do not lie within the limits of a single State the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat., 1151), for the construction of a bridge thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, February 18, 1925.

Hon. WESLEY L. JONES,
Chairman Committee on Commerce, United States Senate.

DEAR SENATOR JONES: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of February 14, transmitting a copy of the bill S. 4307 with the request that the committee be

furnished with such suggestions touching the merits of the bill and the propriety of its passage as the department might deem appropriate.

This bill would authorize the States of Illinois and Indiana to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Wabash River from a point in the city of Mount Carmel, Wabash County, Ill., to a point opposite in Gibson County, Ind. The site of the proposed bridge is on an interstate route embraced in the Federal-aid systems approved for the States of Illinois and Indiana. The bill, however, proposes to authorize the States of Illinois and Indiana to erect the bridge, and this department would recommend favorable action thereon.

Sincerely,

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary.*

